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in advertising those for which he is agent; and we believe the result would be larger sales."

In an article on "Literature and Politics," the *Bookseller*, speaking of the Dana case and acquitting Mr. Dana, congratulates the suffering authors on the fact that so many shining lights in politics have come suddenly to a full recognition of the heinousness of literary theft, upon which they have so long looked with indifference. When a suspicion of carelessness in the use of literary property is so vehemently urged as a bar to political promotion, we may surely indulge the hope that we are about to enter a new era of progress, in which the rights of the author shall be jealously watched, and those who violate them rigorously punished. Let us then be forever thankful to Mr. Dana that he has been the means of ushering in this good time. Though he may fail to be confirmed as minister to the Court of St. James, if our law-makers will only stick to their newly-acquired convictions as to rights of authorship, his loss will be a great gain to the world of letters."



## The Publishers' Weekly.

APRIL 8, 1876.

PUBLISHERS are requested to furnish title-page proofs and advance information of books forthcoming, both for entry in the lists and for descriptive mention. An early copy of each book published should be forwarded, to insure correctness in the final entry and for notice in "Books Received."

The trade are invited to send "Communications" to the editor on any topic of interest to the trade, and as to which an interchange of opinion is desirable. Also, matter for "Notes and Queries." Notes from librarians will also be gratefully received.

In case of business changes, notification or card should be immediately sent to this office for entry under "Business Notes." New catalogues issued will also be mentioned when forwarded.

### "SLOW STOCK."

It was a common remark among the publishers at the Osgood sale, that its result placed the value of plates in a new light. If they meant by this that a publisher could reasonably reckon his whole stock of plates in his assets at much above the value of type-metal, the sale will have, despite all its strengthening tendencies an unfortunate result. The great share of the contents of a publisher's plate-vaults can not be counted of very high value; the trade has seen too many mistakes in this direction resulting unfortunately, to favor any more calculations of that sort. If they meant, however that there is a good deal more value in slow books than is supposed by the present system of doing business, they were quite right. These latter days, in their anxiety to crowd new books on the market, the publishers, and the booksellers following them, have lost sight of the selling qualities of old books when they are properly pushed. Most of the books which were offered at the Messrs. Osgood's sale have sufficient quality to make them good property for any publisher who will cultivate a market for them; and one of the most important results of the change of ownership in these books will be, we trust, to prove this to the trade, and to stimulate the working up of slow stock.

If the publisher will point out to the bookseller not only the desirableness of his "new publications," but also how to sell the general stock on his catalogue, a great deal will be accomplished for the trade. This is one of the chief opportunities of the trade fair system, for here the bookseller sees not only the stock which the travellers are in the habit of bringing to him, but the full line of the publisher's books, and here, too, the publisher may impress upon him the usefulness of paying attention to this class of books. It is also to be remembered that if a publisher can sell a book which has already paid for the plates, his profits are in much greater proportion than they can be on any *new* book.

When it comes to the bookseller, the true way for him to cultivate this stock is to study the tastes of his customers, and do his best to place books where they will be most appreciated. It must not be forgotten that a class of new readers is growing up all the time, to whom a great many old books will be as interesting as they were to their first readers years ago, when they were new. We may cite the example of one house which is perhaps most successful in making a market for this class of stock. It is its custom, if a book that ought to sell well is going slowly, to give away as many copies of the book as it can afford to those who are likely to talk about it to other readers and buyers. As soon as the book begins to be talked about, the sale for it is sure, and by this method a demand is developed in geometrical progression. Of course the local bookseller who carries but a small stock of any one book can not do this to any great extent, but it may be a suggestion to him. If the trade can be brought to pay more attention to slow stock, it will be a very considerable gain to all sides.

CONSIDERABLE feeling has been aroused in the trade by the imputations cast upon Joseph Parker, Son & Co. by the *Stationer*, in its articles on short weights and counts. In assuming that the "Treasury Blotting" paper of this house, marked No. 100, and which turns the scale at 90 pounds, was sold by the manufacturer as weighing 100 pounds, it seems to have gotten hold of the facts quite by the wrong handle. This paper, we learn, is sold by the manufacturers always at scale weight, and continues to be sold by all honest dealers at scale weight until it reaches the hands where it is sold by the package without regard to weight. The paper is marked by numbers and not by pounds, and although the quotations are by nominal weight corresponding to these numbers, the sales are by weight or by count. In other words, these figures are generally understood by the trade not to mean pounds but numbers, and the *Stationer*, in setting out on its reform, has made assumptions which do decided injustice to the only parties referred to by name.

We should, in justice, add that we quite agree with our contemporary in its protests against deviation from simple and natural standards, and its expressed desire for a uniform system of standards and labeling in this and in other branches of the trade, although it has damaged its case by going to work in the wrong way. The correspondence printed in this issue shows that the deviation in question was rather the work of the trade in general than of the manufacturer, and the purpose seems to have



been that an honest paper, free from adulteration, should not be put to disadvantage by one choked up with chemicals or otherwise of inferior quality. We must say that it would have been better had the manufacturers chosen to let their paper stand on its superiority, and challenge other papers by its standards, rather than to get over the difficulty by starting a new system of labeling, which might certainly be made by others a means of deception. The "Treasury Blotting" has such a status in the trade that its manufacturers could well afford to set this example, and we should be glad to see them take this position. But we fear, under the ordinary workings of human nature, that the *Stationer* has rather hindered than helped this consummation by its ill-advised assumptions against a house spoken of generally by the trade as one of the most honorable in the business.

WE print another letter in regard to the Columbus surrender, since this correspondence started before our statement that we should hereafter refer such letters directly to the Arbitration Committee. The truth seems to be that both parties have at least glass windows in their houses, although each has specific reasons for taking the action he did. The misunderstanding with the New-York house was in April, 1875, when the understanding among Eastern houses dealing in juvenile books was on a 25 per cent basis, which was not restricted to 20 per cent until after the meeting of the Convention of July, 1875. As the matter is now before the Arbitration Committee, we suppose it is unnecessary to discuss it further in our columns. Some such misunderstandings must come up under any rules, and should be settled personally, in a friendly way, as far as possible. We suppose all parties would admit that they have been much benefited by the general action of the 20 per cent rule which they have individually broken through.

In fact there are a number of houses who are not, and never have been, in the Association, but who acknowledge a considerable benefit from its action. One such firm, who are unfortunately going out of the business, has the frankness and manliness to own this in our columns to-day. We would say to all such that it is scarcely fair to reap the benefits of the Association without participating in its responsibilities, and, indeed, we may say further that every bookseller in the country, of any importance, ought to be a member of the Association before the Convention meets next July.

We repeat our request in regard to letters containing personal grievances, to send them directly to the Arbitration Committee.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

### "TREASURY BLOTTING."

NEW-YORK, March 29, 1876.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly :

In reference to articles in the *Stationers' and Paper Trade Journal* on short weights and counts as to "Treasury Blotting," we desire to say that Messrs. Joseph Parker, Son & Co., and their predecessors, have sold us and our predecessors their blotting-paper for the last twenty-five years. At the suggestion of several of the leading houses in the trade, fifteen or twenty years ago, Messrs. Parker consented to mark their "Treasury Blotting" by numbers designating the thickness, but they have always sold it by scale weight. The assumption that the paper is sold by the trade other than by numbers is not in accordance with the truth. The trade have long known these facts, as well as they know that other articles of stationery are designated by numbers, and sold by the dozen or pound; and a ream of Parker's Treasury Blotting with the number is as current a quotation as any article in the trade. The trade is not likely to ask for a change on the assumption of the *Stationer*, that "it is not fairly offered to the trade."

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NEW-HAVEN, April 4, 1876.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly :

DEAR SIR: In respect to the question of "Short Weights and Counts," we would say that soon after the first imported heavy blotting-paper was laid down in New-York, which, by the way, was put up short weight, the writer placed samples of our paper before the dealers; it was carefully examined and found to be a better absorbent, and fifteen per cent thicker for same weight than the English. A large buyer tested the two, and found the "best English" to contain forty per cent of clay and ours to be pure, after which we held the principal trade. It must be borne in mind that the entire consumption for a year at that time could be supplied by our mill in two weeks' time, the dealers cutting down the sheets into tenths and twelfths, and packing them in dozen parcels and selling them by the dozen or gross. It was at this period the dealers requested our paper to be put up by numbers and sold to them by scale weight. The trade increased so rapidly, we issued our samples, giving the number on each sample with a note at foot explaining our manner of packing. Each sample was a *fac-simile* of our wrapper, with our name upon it, as well as trade-mark. We sent them to the wholesale and retail stationers, paper dealers, insurance companies, banks, and bankers, and all large buyers of paper that we knew. All new dealers have been especially informed that our paper is designated by numbers, and sold by scale weight.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH PARKER SON & CO.

### THE COLUMBUS QUESTION.

COLUMBUS, O., March 30, 1876.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly :

There are only two points in Mr. Aston's let-

ter published in your issue of 25th inst., that require an explanation.

In answer "to a circular issued by a firm here"—referred to by Mr. Aston—both Messrs. Randall & Co. and Geo. W. Gleason simply denied the existence of a *ring* among all the booksellers but one in the city, through the daily papers. They did not look upon the reform in the light of a ring.

With regard to the second point, it is only necessary to say that the house of Geo. W. Gleason did not bid "27½ per cent on a Sunday-school library," nor did it sell "at 27½ per cent off under the same competition." It is true that Geo. W. Gleason sold to this library at twenty-five per cent, but only after he was positive that a Columbus house made a bid at this discount, and after seeing a letter from a prominent New-York house, which offered twenty-five per cent also. The names of both houses can be furnished if desired. This transaction took place about the middle of April, 1875.

The entire case has been submitted to the Arbitration Committee of the A. B. T. Association.

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#### THE RIGHT WAY.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., March 28, 1876.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly:

We can not help expressing our thanks to you for the part you have taken in the reform. Although we do not belong to the National Association, we certainly have partaken of its benefits. Our customers, as a rule, seem to have received the impression that they can not have the discount that they formerly received, consequently it has been much easier for us to do business the past year than formerly, notwithstanding the hard times. All that is wanted to make the reform a success is local organization and confidence that your neighbor is, or means to be, an honest man. Whenever we have had reason to believe our neighbors were not living up to the rule, we have made them a friendly call, and have never failed to receive a satisfactory explanation.

\*How about that "Centennial Stationers' Hand-Book?"—it has been about a hundred years since we subscribed.

Yours

SHAKESPEARE & ROUNDS.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED.

THE AMERICAN KENNEL AND SPORTING FIELD, by Arnold Burges. (J. B. Ford & Co.) Mr. Arnold Burges writes both from practice and theory, having had the experience of over twenty-five years in the field as an enthusiastic sportsman, and until lately the position of editor of the well-known journal, the *American Sportsman*. This work contains much that is new relative to the blood and breeding of field-dogs. This is a subject that has only lately gained importance with sportsmen in this country and in England, and Mr. Burges considers it such an essential in producing good animals that he has done all that is possible to strengthen and support the interest felt in it, chiefly, by offering a list of the pedigrees of some of the best dogs in the country. This work is so concisely and plainly written that it

will be found of great value as well to young sportsmen as to experienced ones. Illustrated by six pictures of celebrated dogs. Very handsomely gotten up. Square 12mo, cloth, \$4.

REPORT OF THE UNION CONFERENCES AT BONN, 1875, edited by Dr. Fr. Heinrich Reusch, translated from the German by Rev. Samuel Buel, D.D. (T. Whittaker.) These conferences, held at Bonn in 1875 and presided over by Dr. von Döllinger, who has identified himself with what is called the Old Catholic movement in Germany, were called to bring about, if possible, a more perfect communion between the Eastern and Western branches of the Catholic Church, and a renewed common confession of the chief doctrines which the members of this movement consider the original beliefs and creeds of the original undivided churches. The Rev. Robert J. Nevin, Rector of the American Church at Rome, opens the volume with quite a lengthy and an exceedingly interesting preface. 12mo, cloth, \$1.

LITTLE ROSY'S PETS. (Congregational Pub. Co.) This is a pretty little story for very young children, written by the author of "Little Rosy's Travels." It tells all about the plays of two little children who were very fond of pets, and lived in the country, and kept rabbits and dogs, cats, chickens, etc. A very attractively gotten up little volume, the eight silhouette pictures which embellish it being really very charming. 16mo, cloth, \$1.25.

LITTLE FRIENDS AT GLENWOOD, by Joanna H. Mathews. (Robert Carter & Brothers.) The little children who figure in this story are among the most characteristic creations of the favorite author of the "Bessie Books." Their pleasures and misfortunes make up a very interesting story, which is not without its moral, though not introduced, however, in an obtrusive manner. The point the story makes is that the smallest effort towards good made by the feeblest hands has its reward. 16mo, cloth, \$1.25.

SIR WILLIAM PENN, KNIGHT. (J. Munsell.) The object of this memoir is to give the true history of the services of the valiant admiral, its hero, and the father of William Penn, the great founder of the State of Pennsylvania. It vindicates his name thoroughly by an authentic recital of his acts as Admiral of the Fleet in Charles the First's reign. A beautifully printed and finely gotten up pamphlet. \$1.50.

THE STUDENT'S GUIDE TO THE PRACTICE OF MIDWIFERY, by D. Lloyd Roberts, M.D. (Lindsay & Blakiston.) This work presents as complete and concise a view of obstetrics as it is possible to give in so small a work. As a volume of reference for the student or even the practitioner, it will be found of the greatest value, as it comprises an outline of all the various diseases treated under this heading. The volume is fully illustrated throughout the text with some eighty or ninety drawings, which will be recognized as most valuable aids to the student. 12mo, cloth, \$2.25.

BEING A CHRISTIAN, by Washington Gladden. (Congregational Pub. Co.) A little volume of sermons on "What is it to be a Christian?" "How shall I become a Christian?" "How shall I know whether I am a Christian or not?" and "When should I join the Church?" 16mo, cloth, 75 cents.



## LIBRARY AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL NOTES.

THOUGH the smaller libraries can not hope, and the sensible ones do not aim, to compete with the larger ones in general richness of collection, they often prove formidable rivals in their particular specialties. The catalogue of the library of the Columbia School of Mines in this city, lately issued by Mr. John F. Meyer, its librarian, shows how valuable a collection a few thousand volumes may be, when well selected and devoted to one branch of knowledge. Like most scientific libraries, a large part of its wealth is in its periodicals, reports and society transactions—England, France, and Germany, as well as America, alike contributing. The catalogue has two parts, the first giving (a) the books alphabetically by author (b) and the periodicals by title, and the second regrouping them by subject, which, perhaps, for so special a list, is as desirable as the single-alphabet dictionary plan. The title entries are very full—size, date, and place of publication being included, though the usefulness of the last would have been much increased by adding the name of publishers, which the size of the catalogue would easily have stood. This fulness makes the work very useful in scientific bibliography, and to all students whose line of work is in that direction.

A TWO-VOLUME catalogue of the printed books and MSS. bequeathed to the South Kensington Museum by the late Alex. Dyce, is just published.

MR. JOHN FORSTER'S widow has determined to give his valuable collection of books and papers to the South Kensington Library at once. The collection is larger than was at first supposed, and the catalogue, when completed, will fill more than 300 closely-printed octavo pages.

THE printing of Dr. Loth's catalogue of the Arabic MSS. in the India Office Library is completed. It describes 1050 manuscripts.

THE bookseller Franz Meyer, of Dresden, has lately published a catalogue of the distinguished peintre-graveurs and etchers of modern times. The catalogue is enriched with many examples of the artists. Although the preference is given to the works of German engravers, collectors in general will find it useful.

## CENTENNIAL NOTES.

THE impression has got abroad that the Messrs. Appleton have in press some sort of Centennial Art Catalogue. The mistake doubtless arose from the fact that they will make the Centennial a specialty of the *Art Journal* during the summer, proposing to commence in May or June, presenting cuts of objects of interest exhibited at Philadelphia, to the extent of eight pages or so a number. This will be one of the most interesting records of the Centennial, although presented as only an incidental feature of the *Journal*.

HARPER & BROS. have now in their house the case for their display at the Centennial Exhibition. This firm had applied for sufficient space to make a display of their entire catalogue, amounting to over three thousand volumes. They were able to obtain however, only eight feet by ten, which has been used to

the best advantage in a handsome case designed after the Eastlake style by J. Cleveland Cady, the architect, and manufactured by Smith & Wilson. It shows on three sides and will contain about 1600 of their most representative works, including full sets, handsomely bound, of the *Magazine*, *Weekly* and *Bazar*. On either side are projections for holding catalogues. The case is about twelve feet high, so that it reaches to the ceiling of the second story; but the chief criticism to be made upon it is that it is in oak, which, handsome and suitable in itself, is out of tone with the other cases in the Exhibition, while the foreign trade have been very careful that their exhibition shall be in taste as a whole, as well as individually.

## JOURNALISTIC NOTES.

A NEW medical and scientific journal, "Micro-Photographs in Histology," to be edited by Carl Seiler, M.D., in conjunction with J. Gibbon Hunt, M.D., and Joseph G. Richardson, M.D., is announced by Jos. H. Coates & Co. It will be published monthly, at the rate of sixty cents a number, or six dollars a year. It will aim to supply the place of the microscope to those physicians who lack either the opportunity or the leisure to make observations with the instrument for themselves. The pictures will be obtained directly from the microscopic objects themselves, by means of photography, and will be accompanied by descriptive text.

THE last *Appletons' Journal* has a supplement to Poe's poem entitled "The Bells," in which Edward S. Gould has versified the music of the church-bell after Poe's manner.

## PERSONAL NOTES.

SHAKESPEARE is going out of the book-business. The sad announcement is made authoritatively elsewhere. Mr. S.'s name and fame have spread even to the mother country, and now we suppose the retirement of his firm will also go the *Rounds*.

"AN army officer," writing to the *Tribune*, proposes a memorial to the Cary sisters in the Central Park. "Placed on one pedestal, let their statues typify the high distinction attained by the gentle genius of the great-hearted Alice, and to which she conducted her less brave sister."

THE recent book by the author of the "Peep of Day," "The Captivity of Judah," will, it is said, be her last. Mrs. Mortimer says she is "weak and worn out and ready to die."

WILLIAM L. STONE has been appointed "Centennial Historian for New-York State."

## BUSINESS NOTES.

AN important case regarding the Centennial catalogue has come up in Philadelphia. The Catalogue Company asked Judge Cadwalader to restrain John E. Potter *et al.* from interfering with their rights by publishing another catalogue. The defendants had not filed an answer, so that the matter was argued by Mr. Shaw for the complainants on the bill only. He took the ground that the Centennial Exhibition



being under the control of the United States Commission, which is acting under Congressional legislation, the Commissioners had the right to make rules for its government, to contract for the publication of an official catalogue, and to be protected against the publication of any other which would interfere with the rights, privileges and profits of the contractor. The Judge said, assuming that the Commissioners had the right to make such a contract, care must be taken to see that the rights of the people are not interfered with. He considered it a nice question to determine exactly where the powers of the Commission end and the rights of the people begin. Mr. Shaw referred to the fact that the Centennial Catalogue Company has obtained a copyright for the official catalogue, and he thought that should afford protection. The Judge doubted that the copyright would be of any avail. He thought it had been taken out too soon, and he did not know that a copyright could at any time be obtained which would afford the protection asked for under all the circumstances of the case. Without hearing the counsel for the defendant, he refused to grant the temporary injunction prayed for.

THE bindery of R. W. Smith & Co., 46 Marion street, has been purchased by a new firm, Tomkins, McIndoe & Co., composed of Henry Tomkins, and J. J. Umpleby, foreman with Smith & Co., and P. W. McIndoe, foreman with John F. Trow & Son. This is one of the best appointed binderies in the country, the machinery and tools being all of the newest and most approved pattern, and the appointments having been laid out by Mr. Smith, with great care and skill. The new concern therefore possesses facilities for doing work in the best manner, and on favorable terms.

MESSRS. ANDREWS & PALMER, Faribault, Mich., are succeeded by Andrews, Parshall & Hutchinson, Mr. J. R. Parshall and Mr. J. Hutchinson coming into the firm.

#### STATIONERY NOTES.

C. McDOWELL, for the last few years with Bowen, Stewart & Co., Indianapolis, has established a "Western Commission Agency," and will supply the Western jobbers with paper and stationery direct from Eastern manufacturers. We wish the gentleman every success in his new enterprise.

THE Centennial Perforated Mottoes are very handsomely illustrated with views of the Centennial buildings, the mottoes being, "United we Stand," "In God we Trust," "Union Forever," "E Pluribus Unum." There are also four new styles of Moody and Sankey mottoes. The rubber marking pen, a comparatively new thing, is meeting with great success. All these novelties are from Geo. M. Jacocks & Co., manufacturers, 121 Duane street, New-York.

THE Vermont Slate and Alum Co., of Castleton, Vermont, have appointed D. C. Pratt, 16 New Church street, their sole agent for the sale of the celebrated white soap-stone pencils. These pencils are put up neatly in boxes containing 100 pencils, and in strong cases of 10,000 each, suitable for transportation. This house has also the "Improved Eureka" Rubber-cornered School-slate, being a combination of Cof-fin's patent moulded-edge D slate, with Dickin-

son's patent Eureka Rubber Corner. The slate is cemented into the frame when made, which, with the attachment of the rubber corner, makes it perfectly noiseless. This house is sole manufacturer of Moore's Pencil-holding School-slate, for holding the pencil in the slate-frame. It works with a spring, is never out of order, and is highly recommended by the trade.

In our issue of March 11th, we stated that Mr. Geo. Godfrey was the patentee of an oil-painted washable wall-paper. We have since learned that Messrs. Crump & Everdell are the patentees, as well as manufacturers.

ROSENFELD BROS. & Co. have patented a neat inkstand base. It is made in metal, nickel-plated, and walnut. The patent is on a movable attachment, so that any size inkstand can be made to fit in an instant. They have several new sizes of bankers' inkstands, in double and triple, also a very fine line of inks in bankers' shape, with a cap attached, with hinge and cut-glass pen-tray; glass weights with different prismatic effects; and photographic weights adapted for advertising-cards. A new Chinese seamless school-bag is one of the neatest and newest things out at this house.

THE Centennial Exhibition Sectional Blocks are the neatest and newest thing out for children's amusement. They consist of five views of the Art Gallery, Machinery, Horticultural, and Agricultural Halls, and the Main Building, handsomely lithographed in colors, and neatly packed in a box. John D. Emack supplies the trade.

THE Napoleon Slips, a new article in the trade, are composed of fifty or more slips,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches, with several printed questions, put up neatly in packages. They are designed for colleges, schools, and readers generally, and are found very useful to readers or persons studying, who are to ask themselves short questions, and write underneath them short answers, thereby ensuring for such information a place in the memory. These slips are made and for sale by Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger, at 50 cents per package, retail.

THE Meter Diagram, which is intended to supply a want long felt by all who have undertaken to study or teach the metric system, gives a full meter which is the unit of the system, with its divisions into millimeters, centimeters, and decimeters, also an English yard divided into inches, etc., thus bringing the two scales side by side and comparing the two systems. To this are added explanations of the system, tables of length, surface capacity, and weight, approximate equivalents, rules, etc. The Diagram is very accurate. It is made on linen-mounted paper, and in three styles. No. 1, \$2; No. 2, \$3; No. 3, \$3.25. Nos. 2 and 3 are finished in colors, at 25 cents per dozen extra. A liberal discount to the trade. Samples sent by mail. Stanley Rule and Level Co., 35 Chambers street, New-York.

WE understand that an inferior lead-pencil is being sold as A. W. Faber's Round Gilt No. 2, and is in every respect a fac-simile of the genuine article, and hope that Mr. Faber will look into this matter.

McLOUGHLIN BROS., of Nos. 71 and 73 Duane street, have just received from Europe a lot of new undertakers' mourning-cards. They are being extensively used in Europe, and are got-

ten up in very neat designs, the price being so low that no doubt they will be used as extensively in this country. Price, per 1000, \$7.50.

"THE Memorial Inkstand," sold by Mr. Wm. D. Bennage, Jr., of Philadelphia, is having quite a remarkable success, judging from a postal received from him asking us to omit his advertisement for a fortnight, as he says, "I have more orders on hand than I can fill in the next two weeks." We will modestly share the credit of this happy state of things between the WEEKLY and the inkstand.

#### LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

MESSRS. GEO. P. PUTNAM'S SONS desire us to call attention to the explanation of the statement in the brief report given in the WEEKLY of April 1st of the "Fair Remainder Sale," that "lines of Irving, \$1.75, \$2.50, brought 55 cents per volume, and lines of Taylor, \$2, brought 30 to 50 cents," as such a statement, standing without explanation, is likely to give an erroneous impression of the selling value of those standard books. The small lots offered were odd remainders of old editions, which for some years have not been catalogued, and which are not in current sale.

THE list of firms given, in the WEEKLY, as occupying the "Old Corner" bookstore, included the names of those incorporated with A. Williams & Co., as no distinction is made in the card. In 1828 the building was first occupied as a bookstore by Carter & Hendee; in 1837, by W. D. Ticknor & Co.; and in 1844 the firm name was changed to Ticknor & Fields. On the removal of this firm to their new store on Tremont street, in 1865, the Old Corner was occupied by E. P. Dutton & Co.; and in 1869 A. Williams & Co. took possession, and "are still flourishing there with a success to which their experience and business industry entitle them," as says a Boston paper, with which we heartily agree.

THE *Nation* goes into an analysis of the results from our Prize Questions in Political Economy, and taking all the books that received more than one mention, says: "If we embrace the whole scale in one view, we find the total number (of votes) to be 267, and this gives us a ratio of authors as follows: Mill, 11.24 per cent; Smith, 11.24; Cairnes, 10.86; the Fawcetts, 9.74; Perry, 8.61; Jevons, 7.12; Walker, 6.37; Wayland, 6.37; Greeley, 5.24; Bowen, 4.87. In other words, these ten writers (counting for convenience Prof. and Mrs. Fawcett as one) supply nearly 82 per cent (81.66) of the public demand for works on political economy."

COL. R. I. DODGE's other book, on "The Plains," is put over by the Putnams till September, since it has taken some months to execute the thirty full-page illustrations from Mr. Blackmore's collection, which will be a prominent feature of the book. Mr. Blackmore has had much experience among the Indians, and his museum of Indian archaeology is one of the most interesting in England. He himself contributes two additional chapters to the book, descriptive of the various tribes of Indians inhabiting the plains, and of their pictography and sign language, referred to in Mr. Hale's *Scribner* story.

THAT interesting volume, "Personal Reminiscences of Fifty Years of my Life," by the Earl

of Albemarle, will be added to Messrs. Holt's considerable list of books of that sort this or next month.

THE plates of that perennially clever book "Rejected Addresses," were purchased at the Osgood sale by Mr. Holt, and he will issue immediately a new edition in the favorite dress of the "Leisure Hour Series."

It will be good news to the trade that Messrs. E. P. Dutton & Co. will match "Pussy Tiptoe" and "Frisk and His Flock," next Christmas with a new and similar book by the same author, Mrs. Sanford, called "A Houseful of Children." It is a curious coincidence that the day after this manuscript was sent to the stereotypers, another juvenile with the identical title was received at the same publishers.

GINN BROTHERS, of Boston, are bringing out their excellent "Text-Books of Prose and Poetry," in parts, in paper covers, for the use of schools. The Prose includes notable essays and orations from Burke, Bacon, and Webster; the Poetry, selections from Wordsworth, Coleridge, Burns, Beattie, Goldsmith, and Thomson. Booksellers can "push" these conscientiously. They are admirable for either schools or families, as they ought to be, since Mr. Hudson, the eminent Shakespeare critic, edited them.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Bookseller* calls attention to the fact that in the proposed new postal law, the framers have by oversight kept up the absurd distinction between book and newspaper MSS.

COL. FORNEY has written a report of "A Centennial Commissioner in Europe, 1874-76," for early publication by J. B. Lippincott & Co.

MRS. TERHUNE ("Marion Harland") has a new novel, "My Little Love," in press with G. W. Carleton & Co.

A VOLUME by that leading exponent of Swedenborgianism, Dr. Garth Wilkinson, "The Methods of Human Science and Divine Revelation," is in press by J. B. Lippincott & Co.

G. W. CARLETON & Co. will publish a complete edition of Josh Billings' Works—the four volumes hitherto published in one, with steel portrait of Mr. Shaw and a hundred illustrations. A "Comic Centennial History of the United States," by Livingston Hopkins, will be a further contribution to American humor from the same house.

THE volume of Rev. William M. Taylor's lectures on "The Ministry of the World" are approaching readiness at A. D. F. Randolph & Co.'s, and will be published early in this or next month. It promises to be one of the most interesting series yet called forth by that book-producing Yale course.

THE Thackeray plates, which were bought in by Mr. Shepard for his own firm at the Osgood sale, have since been transferred to the Messrs. Harper, who, it is understood, will shortly publish an edition from these plates.

WE learn from the Messrs. Leavitt that the sales at the Spring Book Fair amounted to but about \$40,000. The footings of the Osgood sales were \$101,000.

"THE Young Man's Dream of Life, and Other Sermons," is the title of the volume by the late President Walker, which Roberts Bros. will soon publish.



THE Legislature of this State has refused to pass the bill to secure uniformity of text-books in the public schools.

T. WHITTAKER has just issued a new Spring Catalogue, with classified lists of his publications.

E. & F. N. SPON's new inclosure catalogue of their miscellaneous collection of scientific books is very ingeniously gotten up for transmittal through the mail without mapping—the front cover having a flap on it, which pastes over on the back cover, thus making the pamphlet at once ready for addressing.

MR. CHAS. LANMAN seems to have good ground of complaint that Congress has transferred much of his work in his "Dictionary of Congress" unpaid for into the new "Directory." He is at present busy on his book of "Biographical Annals," which will contain more than eight thousand biographical sketches, comprising those of members of Congress, the federal judiciary, foreign ministers, governors of states and territories, etc., bringing them down to the latest date, and making it a very valuable work of reference.

WE hear that a learned German is engaged in translating Professor Shepherd's History of the English Language into German, with a view to its publication in his native country and language. This is a fresh compliment to a work which has received high praise from eminent philologists in this country and in England. It is from the press of Messrs. E. J. Hale & Son, of this city.

AN English translation of Schleicher's great work on the German language will soon be published.

DR. DÖLLINGER has in press his important "Unpublished Reports and Diaries Relating to the Council of Trent," the first volume of the "Collection of Documents Concerning the Trent Council."

### BOOKS WANTED.

W. B. CLARKE, 162 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON.  
Works of Alexander Hamilton, 7 vols.  
Chironomia, a Treatise on Rhetorical Delivery, by Gilbert Austen.  
North-American Review, April, 1869.

F. L., Box 4295, NEW-YORK.  
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WM. J. C. DULANY & CO., BALTIMORE.  
Paris' History of Methodist Protestant Church.

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1 Sylva Americana, by D. J. Browne.  
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LOCKWOOD, BROOKS & CO., BOSTON.  
1 Memoirs of J. Q. Adams, vol. 1.

M. B. ROBINS, SHELBYVILLE, IND.  
1 Lyman Beecher's Six Sermons on Intemperance.  
B. WESTERMANN & CO., 524 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.  
1 White, Wm., Memoirs of the Protestant Episcopal Church.  
1 Hawks, Contributions to the Eccles. History of the U. S. Harper, N. Y., 1836.  
1 Collections of the Protest. Epis. Church Hist. Society for 1851. Standford & Swords, N. Y., 1851.

S. ZICKEL, BOX 5611, NEW-YORK CITY.  
1 Owen Jones' Grammar of Ornaments, bound, about \$30 retail.

### COPYRIGHT NOTES.

A CURIOUS question of copyright has just been decided by the Italian Court of Appeal. Padre Pasquale de Francisca published a collection of the Pope's recent speeches, and some time since he commenced proceedings for breach of copyright against the Abate D. Girolamo Milone, who has followed suit with a similar collection. The Court decided that "the speeches of the Supreme Governor of the Universal Church can be subject to no rights of private ownership, either by their substance and their own nature, or by the conception of him who delivered them."

A COPYRIGHT case, of Frances E. Tilton *vs.* William F. Gill, recently came up before Judge Lowell, in Boston. The complainant alleges that she is owner of a copyright of an edition of the "Poems of Alfred Tennyson," and of a poem by Tennyson called "Enoch Arden," which were published by John E. Tilton and Stephen W. Tilton, copartners as J. E. Tilton & Co.; that complainant derives her title from these original owners; that the volumes as copyrighted and published were illustrated by Hammatt Billings; and that defendants have infringed by publishing a volume entitled "The Works of Alfred Tennyson," including "Queen Mary," in which the same illustrations and designs are used. Petitioner asks for injunction and damages. Defendant answers that the author of the poems is an alien and his writings are not subject to copyright; that the illustrations used were produced from plates of which one Edward Page, of Newtonville, claimed to be the owner, and by authority of an unrestricted contract entered into by said Page with defendant; that complainant has no exclusive rights to the publication of writings of an alien, and that whatever use has been made of copies of the cuts from these books was proper and right, the plates having been placed by their lawful owner in defendant's hands to be used without any restrictions. The motion for a preliminary injunction against Mr. Gill was denied.

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### BOOKS FOR SALE.

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A GENERAL interest is arising on the subject of finance and political science, and many are anxious to read up on the subject. The elections promise to turn, for some years, upon these questions. The bookseller may take advantage of this, and by keeping such books in stock and calling attention to them, may make considerable sales. Following is a useful order list of prominent books on such subjects:

- AUTHORS' PUBLISHING CO., New-York.**  
**Pilon.**—Gold and Free Banks. 8°... \$ .75
- A. L. BANCROFT & CO., San Francisco.**  
**Hopkins.**—A Manual of American Ideas. Mail... \$1.50  
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- CASELL, PETTER & GALPIN, New-York.**  
**Cobden Club.**—Local Government and Taxation... \$7.50  
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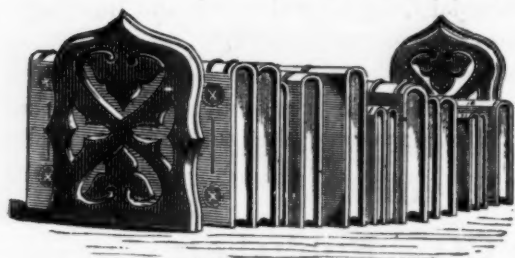
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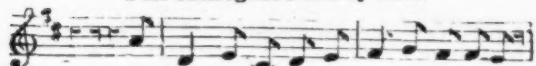
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